

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**  
**(Large Entity)**

Docket No.  
PA-9720

In Re Application of N. Thomas

Serial No.  
09/555,102

Filing Date  
July 17, 2000

Examiner  
G. Gabel

Group Art Unit  
1641

Invention: Multiple Assay Method

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TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of September 26, 2001 above-identified application.  
Date

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

☐ One month    ☐ Two months    ☒ Three months    ☐ Four months    ☐ Five months

from: December 26, 2001

Date

until: March 26, 2002

Date

The fee for the extension of time is \$920 and is to be paid as follows:

- ☐ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 500-588  
A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 500-588  
A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

  
Signature

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Dated: March 26, 2002

I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on March 26, 2002 with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

  
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